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IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF: GANTI et al.

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SUBJECT: CASCADED POLICING SYSTEMS AND METHODS

10 ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

WASHINGTON, D.C., 20231, U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

15 This is a response to the Office Action mailed on 18 October 2004. The Applicants thank the Examiner for the detailed report and request that this application be amended in the following manner.

In the Claims

20 Claims 1 - 17 have been amended.

New claims 9a, 9b, 18, and 19 have been added.